

detuning apparatus necessary to prevent adverse effects upon the radiation pattern of the AM station. Both prior to the commencement of construction and upon completion of construction, a partial proof of performance (as defined by § 73.154) shall be conducted to establish that the AM array has not been adversely affected. Prior to or simultaneously with filing of the license application to cover the broadcast station construction, the results of the partial proof of performance shall be filed with the Commission on Form 302-AM.

[62 FR 51062, Sept. 30, 1997]

§ 73.1695 Changes in transmission standards.

The FCC will consider the question whether a proposed change or modification of transmission standards adopted for broadcast stations would be in the public interest, convenience, and necessity, upon petition being filed by the person proposing such change or modification, setting forth the following:

- (a) The exact character of the change or modification proposed;
- (b) The effect of the proposed change or modification upon all other transmission standards that have been adopted by the FCC for broadcast stations;
- (c) The experimentation and field tests that have been made to show that the proposed change or modification accomplishes an improvement and is technically feasible;
- (d) The effect of the proposed change or modification in the adopted standards upon operation and obsolescence of receivers;
 - (1) Should a change of modification in the transmission standards be adopted by the FCC, the effective date thereof will be determined in the light of the considerations mentioned in this paragraph (d);
 - (2) [Reserved]
- (e) The change in equipment required in existing broadcast stations for incorporating the proposed change or modification in the adopted standards; and
- (f) The facts and reasons upon which the petitioner bases the conclusion that the proposed change or modifica-

tion would be in the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

[49 FR 4211, Feb. 3, 1984]

§ 73.1700 Broadcast day.

The term *broadcast day* means that period of time between the station's sign-on and its sign-off.

[43 FR 45849, Oct. 4, 1978]

§ 73.1705 Time of operation.

(a) Commercial and noncommercial educational TV and commercial FM stations will be licensed for unlimited time operation. Application may be made for voluntary share-time operation.

(b) Noncommercial educational FM stations will be licensed for unlimited and share time operation according to the provisions of § 73.561.

(c) AM stations in the 535–1705 kHz band will be licensed for unlimited time. In the 535–1605 kHz band, stations that apply for share time and specified hours operations may also be licensed. AM stations licensed to operate daytime-only and limited-time may continue to do so; however, no new such stations will be authorized, except for fulltime stations that reduce operating hours to daytime-only for interference reduction purposes.

[43 FR 45849, Oct. 4, 1978, as amended at 56 FR 64872, Dec. 12, 1991]

§ 73.1710 Unlimited time.

Operation is permitted 24 hours a day.

[43 FR 45849, Oct. 4, 1978]

§ 73.1715 Share time.

Operation is permitted by two or more broadcast stations using the same channel in accordance with a division of hours mutually agreed upon and considered part of their licenses.

(a) If the licenses of stations authorized to share time do not specify hours of operation, the licensees shall endeavor to reach an agreement for a definite schedule of periods of time to be used by each. Such agreement shall be in writing and each licensee shall file it in duplicate original with each application to the FCC in Washington, DC for renewal of license. If and when